

AN ACT

OF

Common-Councell

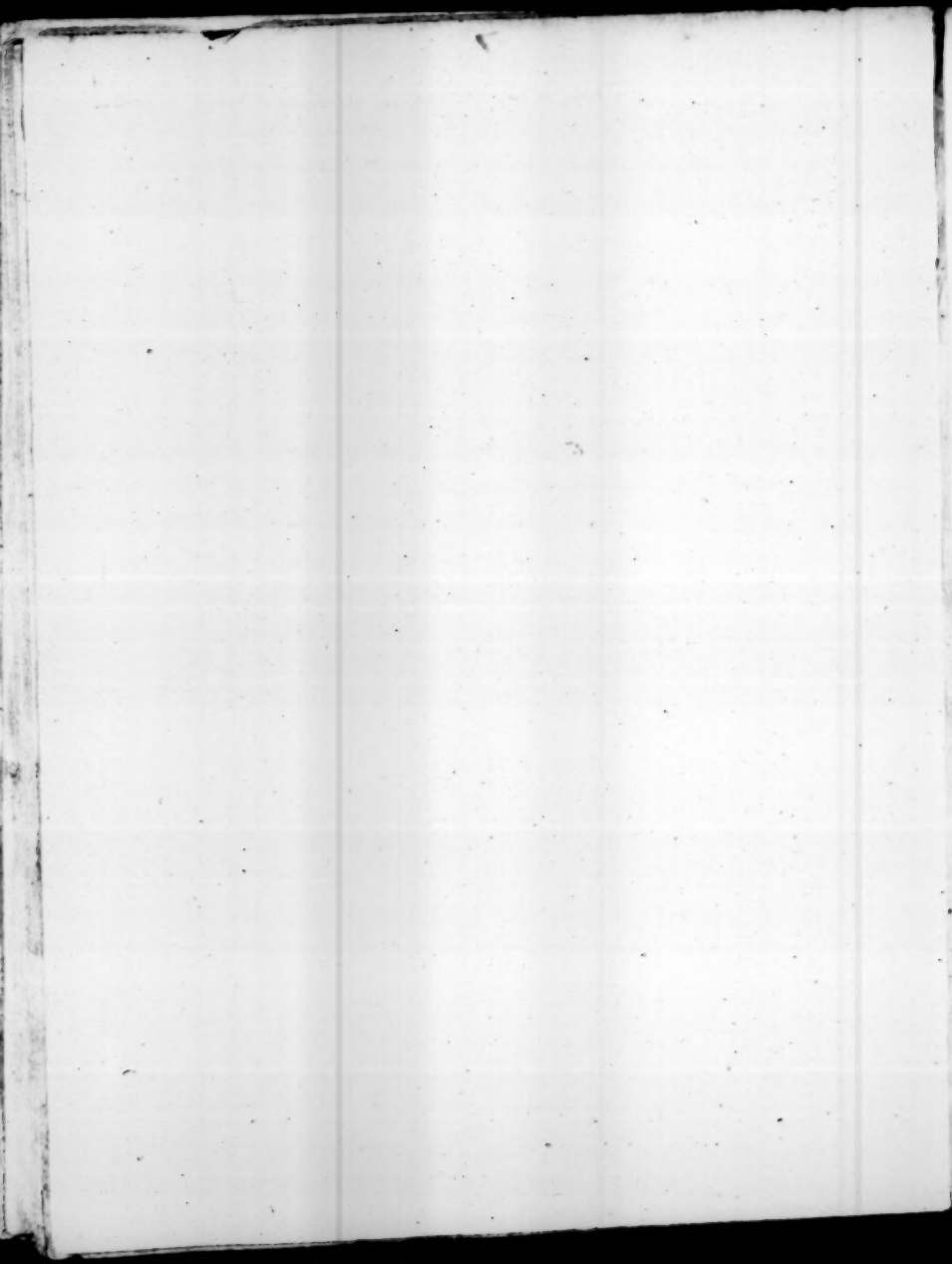
MADE

The First day of *July* in the yeare
of our Lord 1658. For the better Rule,
Oversight and Government of the Carrs,
Carts, Carters or Carmen within
the City of *London*, and Liber-
ties of the same.



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1658.



Chiverton



Mayor.

A Common Councell holden in the Chamber of the *Guild-hall* of the City of *London*, the first day of *July* in the yeare of our Lord 1658 before the right Honourable *S^r Richard Chiverton K^t* Lord Mayor of the City of *London*, *S^r Thomas Atkin K^t* and Alderman, *S^r Thomas Foote K^t* and Alderman, *John Fooke* Alderman, *Tempest Milbrie* Alderman, *Fran. is Warner* Alderman, and *Thomas Chandler* Alderman and one of the *Sheriffs* of the City of *London*, and more then fourty or moners of the Common Councell of the same City then and there assemb'ed.



Hereas by Act of Common Councell made the 22th day of *October* in the time of the Maioralty of *S^r Thomas Lowe K^t*, the Rule, Oversight and Government of the Carres, Carts, Carters and Car-men, and of all other person or persons whatsoever working any Carres or Carts within this City and

The recitall of the Act made in *S^r Thomas Lowe's* Maioralty.

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Liberties,

Liberties, is committed to the Master, Wardens and Fellowship of Woodmongers *London*; And Provisions therein made (amongst other things) for the translation of all Carmen and other Persons that shall keepe, use or worke any Carre or Carres, Cart or Carts within the said City and Liberties (and that then were or should thereafter be free of any other Company of this City) to the said Company of Woodmongers: And whereas by an other Act of Common Councell made the second day of *August* 1654 the number of Carres of all sorts to worke within the said City and Liberties is limited to four Hundred and twenty, whereof two Hundred and eighty to be Street Carres, and one Hundred and forty to be Wharfe-Carres, or for Wharfingers to carry abroad Fewell from their Wharfes, and divers Rules, Directions, Provisions and Penalties thereby given, made and set down touching the Licencing of Carmen and the better regulation of them, and sundry other matters: And the Master, Wardens and Assistants of the said Company of Woodmongers by the same Act impowred for Licencing and allowing of the said Carmen, and to severall other purposes, as in and by the said severall Acts more fully may appeare: And for asmuch as Complaint hath been made as well by divers Citizens as by the Carmen, against the said Woodmongers, of sundry abuses committed in their said Government of the Carmen, and of many Inconveniencies and grievances brought upon the people and Inhabitants of this City by the said Company, by means and pretence of the privilege and power granted them in and by

The recital of
the Act made
the second day
of *August* 1654

The severall
complaints
against the
Woodmongers.

by the said several Acts of Common Councell.

We it therefore enacted, granted and agreed by the Right honourable the Lord Mayor, the Aldermen his brethren, and the Commons in this Common Councell assembled and by the authority of the same; That the first of the said Acts before mentioned made in the time of the Maioralty of *S^t Thomas Lowe*, and every Clause, Article and thing therein contained, and so much of the latter of the said two Acts of Common Councell as confers any trust or power to or upon the Woodmongers, in or about the disposing or licencing of Carres or Carmen, or the regulating or ordering of the said Carrs or Carmen, or otherwise Inter-
The repealing of the first of the aforesaid Acts.
 esting them in any matter or thing touching or concerning the said Carrs or Carrmen, and so far forth only as concerns the said Woodmongers, and also that concerns the admittance or allowance of one Hundred and fourty Carrs to be Wharfe-Carrs, or for the use of Wharfingers, and all other Acts and Orders touching or concerning any the said matters or things, or in any other wise contrary or repugnant to any clause or matter hereafter in this present Act declared, appointed or contained, shall from hence forth be utterly repealed and made void to all intents and purposes; And that the Presi-
The repealing of so much of all other Acts as give power to the Woodmongers to dispose or licence Carrs or Carrmen.
 dent and Governours for the Poore of the City of *London* and the Liberties thereof shall from time to time hereafter have the rule, oversight and Government of the said Carrs, Carts, Carters and Carmen, and of all other person and persons whatsoever, working any Carrs or Carts within the City of London and liberties thereof during the
The investing the Government in the President and Governours for the Poor of the City of London, &c.
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The extension
and continuati-
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The Wood-
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cluded from in-
termedling in
the Govern-
ment.

No Cart or
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Wharfinger, or
Woodmonger.

All the Carres
to be allowed to
be Street Carres
and to carry all
sorts of Hewell.

pleasure of this Court and no longer, and that in as large and ample manner as the said Company of Woodmongers have lawfully had and enjoyed, and as the said Woodmongers were appointed, limited and directed to doe in and by the said last mentioned Act of Common Councell of the second day of August 1654. or any other Act of Common Councell, and according to the rules, directions and provisions in the same Acts or any of them mentioned and Comprised, which are therefore to abide and continue in full force and virtue to all other intents and purposes save only as to the authorizing or allowance of wharfe Carres and of the Woodmongers to intermeddle in the Government of the said Carres or Carmen or otherwise touching the same, which so far forth and to those only purposes is repealed and made void as aforesaid.

Also, **It is enacted** that there shall not hereafter be any Carre, Cart or Carres, permitted or allowed to any wharfe, wharfinger, or Woodmonger, or kept or worked by any wharfinger, or Woodmonger, after the first day of August next, but that the whole number of 420 Carres to be licensed as aforesaid, shall be Street Carres, and granted to Street Carmen only, and no other Carres used or allowed to work within this City and liberties thereof, but that the carriage of all Wood, Coles, and other sewell within the same City and liberties, shall be done and performed at such rates, and in all other respects, as other goods, and Commodities have used and ought to be carried, by the Street Carmen only and not otherwise, except such persons who doe send their own

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or other Carts out of the country to bring Coles from wharves, and also all persons who shall bring his own Coles home to his house in London with his own Carts, not being traders in fewell. And if any wharfinger, Woodmonger, or other, shall presume to keep and work any Carr, Cart, or Carres, contrary to the true meaning hereof, such person and persons, for every time so offending shall forfeit and pay for the first offence the summe of 40 shillings, to be recovered and obtained, as is hereafter mentioned, and for the second and every other offence afterward, the said Carre, or Carres, to be seised and carried to the new Store-yard on More-ditch and there kept and detayned according to the custome of London.

The penalties for Wharfingers and Woodmongers offending.

And for the better prevention of such deceit hereafter as divers Woodmongers have practised in the sale and measure of their Coles, **It is enacted** that the twelve Seacoale-meaters of this City, shall provide and keep in readines a sufficient number of Sackes of the just and full size and measure, and that all Seacoales hereafter to be sold by any Woodmonger, or others, shall be filled and brought home to the buyer in the said Seacoale-meaters Sackes, and by some Street Carr, or Carres of persons duly licensed and allowed as aforesaid, and bearing upon the said Carres the marke of the Redcrois for a note of their allowance as hath antiently been accustomed; And further, that there shall be provided and kept by and at the charge of the Parishioners and Inhabitants of every Parish of this City and liberties, one or more sealed Bushell or Bushells (according

The Seacoale-meaters to provide Sackes to carry Coales in.

The Redcrois to be upon every Carr allowed.

A sealed Butsell
to be kept by
every Parish,

as every Parish shall be greater or lesser) to remaine in the hands of some fit person or persons, to be therefore appointed in every Parish respectively, and sworne in the outer Court before the Lord Major and Aldermen of this City, for the time being, who from time to time upon request of any such Parishioner or Inhabitant shall attend with one of the same Butsells to measure or essay and make tryall of the measure of any Coles bought or brought home by or for any such Inhabitant or Parishioner, as aforesaid: And if any person or persons, shall bring home in his or their Cart, or Carr, to any buyer, any Coles in any other Sack, or Sacks, then in the Sack, or Sacks, of the said common meaters of Seacoales to be therefore provided and kept as aforesaid, such person so offending shall forfeit and pay tenne shillings for the first and second offence respectively, and for the third and every other offence, the Carr or Carres of the offender to be seised and carried to the new Store-yard on More-ditch as aforesaid. And, **It is enacted**, that all pains penalties and forfeitures aforesaid, shall and may be recovered by action of debt, bill or information in the name of the Chamberleine of this City for the time being in the Court holden before the Major and Aldermen of the said City in the Chamber of the Guild-Hall and after recovery thereof one moyetie (after all charges deducted) shall be to the Informer, and the other moyetie to the Poore of Christ Hospital in London to be imployed for and towards their releife, in all which suites to be brought by this Act the Chamberleine shall recover his ordinary

Penalties how
to be recovered

inary costs and charges to be expended in and for recovery of all such forfeitures against the offender and offenders. And lastly, whereas there hath been allowed out of the rent of Carres the summe of one hundred and fifty pounds *per annum*, to be paid to the Governors of Christ Hospitall, toward reliefe of the Poore there harboured; **It is enacted**, that the same shall be from hence forth duly satisfied and paid yearly by the said President and Governors for the Poore of the said City of London and liberties thereof, from Midsummer last past during so long time as they shall have and continue the oversight, rule, government and benefit of the said Carres, and Carmen, according to former directions and provisions in this behalf by former Act, or Acts. Provided alwaies that upon defect of payment of the said one hundred and fifty pounds, within tenne dayes after every yeare, that then this present Act and every clause therein conteyned (as to the Government of the Carres by the said President and Governors) be from thenceforth made null and void. And **Be it further enacted** by the authority aforesaid, that the said President and Governors for the Poore of the said City of London and liberties thereof, shall have power and authority from time to time to execute such orders as are already made by the Lord Major and Court of Aldermen, for the rule and Government of Carres and Carmen, and to contrive, make and execute such further orders as shall be thought fit and requisite by them for that purpose being approved and allowed by this Court from time to time.

Allowance to
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Power to the
President and
Governors for
the Poore, &c.
To execute
the orders made,
&c.
And to make
further orders,
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